

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-4, 7-11 are pending in this application. Claims 5, 6 and 12-21 have been cancelled. No new matter has been added.

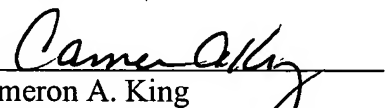
If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

Amendment and cancellation of certain claims is not to be construed as a dedication to the public of any of the subject matter of the claims as previously presented, and Applicants reserve the right to prosecute the subject matter of such claims in continuation and/or divisional applications.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952** referencing docket no. **399242000602**. However, the Commissioner is not authorized to charge the cost of the issue fee to the Deposit Account.

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